

**Project TREAT and VASIP/COSIG of DMHMRSAS and the
Mid-Atlantic ATTC invite you to:**

**Person Centered
Screening and Assessment
For Co-occurring and Disorders
In Adolescents and Adults**

**Monday, September 22 and Tuesday, September 23, 2008
At Crowne Plaza Richmond West
6531 West Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23230-2013**

This two (2) day conference is appropriate for persons who work in community settings, hospitals/facilities, forensics, schools, social services, juvenile or adult justice/corrections, CSA/FAPT teams, health, and private settings. Workshops specific to youth providers and to adult providers will be offered. Day One focuses on screening and Day Two focuses on assessment. Attendees may attend one day only or both days. Lunch and breaks will be provided both days. Contact hours of up to 6 hours a day will be available. A registration fee of \$25 per day is being charged. Limited assistance is available in situations where costs prohibit attendance. For more information contact: Susan Pauley at 804-692-1645 or susan.pauley@co.dmhmrzas.virginia.gov

Lodging: Lodging is available at the Crowne Plaza Richmond West at the State rate of \$100.57 per night (this includes taxes). Please call 804-285-9951 and ask for the Screening and Assessment room block to make your reservations. This block rate is available through September 17. Directions and more information about the hotel can be found at: www.crowneplaza.com/richmondva

Monday, September 22

9 am Registration Begins (snacks, coffee/tea available)

10 am to 12:30 pm Plenary Session with Ken Winters

12:30 pm to 1:30 pm Buffet Lunch

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm Workshops with Winters or Gressard or Triplett

3:00 pm to 3:15 pm Break

3:15 to 5:15 pm Workshops continue

5:15 pm Day One Concludes

Tuesday, September 23

8:30 am Registration Begins (continental breakfast provided)

9:00 am to 10:30 am Seminars with Cline or Winters

10:30 to 10:45 am Break

10:45 am to Noon Seminars continue

12 Noon to 1 pm Buffet Lunch

1 to 2:30 pm Seminars continue

2:30 to 2:45 pm Break

2:45 to 4:30 Seminars continue

4:30 pm Conference Concludes

Workshop/Seminar Descriptions

Day 1, Monday, September 22 – The focus of this day is Screening.

Workshops will cover practices and a variety of screening tools, including those approved by Medicaid for reimbursement of screening.

AM Plenary: “Principles of Screening and Assessment of Individuals with Co-existing Disorders” with Ken Winters, Ph.D. Dr. Winters is Director of the Center for Adolescent Substance Abuse Research, a Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Minnesota, and a Senior Scientist with the Treatment Research Institute, Philadelphia, PA. He is a consultant to many organizations, including the Hazelden Foundation, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Partnership for Drug Free America, World Health Organization, and the Mentor Foundation (an international drug abuse prevention organization).

This workshop kicks off our conference. Clinical and measurement issues pertaining to brief screening and comprehensive assessment of clients (whether adult or youth) with co-existing disorders will be discussed. Challenges and solutions for incorporating effective screening and assessment practices throughout the engagement and treatment delivery experience in systems where services may not be fully integrated or clinical in mission will be explored.

Monday PM Workshops (three):

“Screening for Co-occurring Disorders in Adults” with Charles (Rick) F. Gressard, Ph.D. Dr. Gressard is an Associate Professor in the Counseling Program at the College of William and Mary. He has 36 years experience in the field of addictions counseling and addictions counselor education. In addition to his counseling, teaching, and research, Dr. Gressard has served on the Virginia Board of Professional Counselors, chaired the Virginia Department of Health Professions' Impaired Professionals Program Committee and served as Board Member and Chair of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC).

This workshop will introduce participants to screening and assessment instruments commonly used for adults with possible co-occurring disorders, including those approved for Medicaid reimbursement. The workshop will also increase participant’s effectiveness in using these instruments by integrating basic Motivational Interviewing concepts into the screening process. Use of basic MI techniques will increase screening effectiveness by integrating a person-centered approach that will increase clinicians’ sensitivity to the client as well as keeping client resistance to a minimum.

“GAIN Short Screener” with Erin Triplett, B.A., a GAIN Project Coordinator in Bloomington, IL. She is a certified GAIN National Trainer and Data Coordinator who also coordinates web trainings and works with interviewers completing the Spanish translation of the GAIN. Previous work includes serving as a bilingual court advocate intern.

The Global Appraisal of Individual Needs Short Screener (GAIN-SS), developed by Chestnut Health Systems, is a five-minute screener which can be used with adults and youth and designed for three primary functions. First, it identifies those in the general population who have one or more behavioral health disorders (e.g. internalizing or externalizing psychiatric disorders, substance use disorders, or crime/violence problems) when given further assessment and rules out those who would not. Second, it serves as an easy-to-use quality assurance tool for staff with minimal training or direct supervision. Lastly, it can serve as a periodic measure of change in behavioral health over time. Workshop participants will be trained to use the GAIN-SS, including instruction on proper administration technique, scoring and interpretation, and the corresponding web application. They will observe a demonstration of a correct GAIN –SS administration and get hands on practice scoring. Attendees will receive a GAIN Coursework certificate.

“Screening Adolescents with Substance Use and Co-Existing Disorders” with Ken Winters, Ph.D.

Dr. Winters is Director of the Center for Adolescent Substance Abuse Research, a Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Minnesota, and a Senior Scientist with the Treatment Research Institute, Philadelphia, PA. He is a consultant to many organizations, including the Hazelden Foundation, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Partnership for Drug Free America, World Health Organization, and the Mentor Foundation (an international drug abuse prevention organization).

Screening adolescents suspected of drug/alcohol abuse or misuse and co-existing problems will be discussed with a focus on clinical issues that pertain to a wide range of professionals. Engaging youth and their families and beginning to articulate their strengths through the screening process will be explored. Instruction in and practice of the use of several screening instruments, including one that is approved for Medicaid reimbursement, will occur.

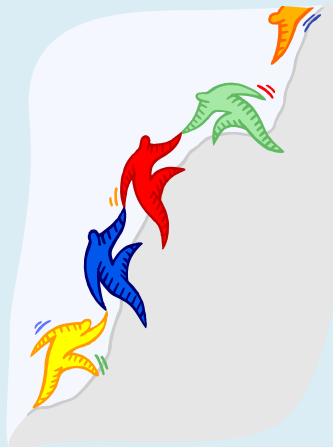
Day 2, Tuesday, September 23 – Assessment The focus of this day is on assessment with one seminar specific to youth and one specific to adults. More in-depth discussions of the assessment process with exposure to a variety of assessment tools will occur.

“CORE Practices in Assessment and Treatment Planning: Working with Adults and Families with Complex Lives” with Christie Cline, MD, MBA, founder and President of Zialogic and ZiaPartners which provide consultation, products and technical assistance nationally and internationally to behavioral healthcare systems in the areas of policy, procedure and practices for integrated services. She has assisted hundreds of programs with the development of co-occurring capable practices within a multitude of programming approaches. Dr. Cline was a member of the SAMHSA consensus panel for development of TIP 42 and also was appointed to be on the SAMHSA national expert panel for the COSIG cross-site evaluation in 2007.

This interactive seminar will help participants learn and apply CORE recovery and resiliency concepts to the fundamental clinical practices of assessment and treatment planning. It will also focus on working with adults and families who have multiple/complex needs, including co-occurring mental health and substance use issues. The seminar includes lecture and case-based learning and will provide the 1-2-3's of taking the material and building it into the routine processes of clinical programming. Attendees are encouraged to bring examples of current materials (e.g. Assessment and treatment planning formats). Exposure to a variety of assessment tools and how to access them will also be provided.

“Habits of Effective Counselors When Assessing for Adolescents with Substance Use and Co-Existing Disorders” with [Ken Winters, Ph.D.](#) See bio info above

This seminar will provide an in-depth discussion on the assessment of youth who use substances and may have co-existing disorders. Involving family, community members and other systems such as schools or juvenile justice to inform the screening and assessment process and ultimately participate in treatment planning will also be discussed. Participants will examine how stages of change and MI concepts/practices can improve the assessment experience. Exposure to a variety of assessment tools with information on their benefits and limitations will be provided.



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REGISTRATION FOR SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT CONFERENCE

You may register for both days or for Monday only or Tuesday only. Note: See schedule as the start and ending times are different each day.

Name: _____ Agency: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I will attend: _____Monday ONLY _____Tuesday ONLY _____Monday AND Tuesday

Lunch is provided. Please check if you want a vegetarian lunch _____

There is a registration fee of \$25 per day. Total Due: _____

Method of Payment: _____Check _____ Interagency Transfer

If paying by check, make check payable to: DMHMRSAS and mail to:
Attn: Stella Stith, 9th Flr. DMHMRSAS 1220 Bank St. Richmond 23219
Please indicate check is for Screening & Assessment Conference

If paying through Interagency Transfer (IAT) please use:
code 180-720-1000-49933-1224-50353 cost code 963

Please select the workshops/seminars you will attend for each day you attend:

Monday AM: _____ “Principles of Screening and Assessment of Individuals with
Co- Existing Disorders”

Monday PM: _____ “Screening for Co-occurring Disorders in Adults”
(select one)
_____ “Screening Adolescents with Substance Use and Co-Existing Disorders”
_____ “GAIN Short Screener”
**This workshop has capped attendance in order to certify attendees. First
come – first served.

Tuesday (Select one): _____ “CORE Practices in Assessment and Treatment Planning: Working
Adults and Families with Complex Lives”

_____ ”Habits of Effective Counselors When Assessing for Adolescents
with Substance Use and Co-Existing Disorders”

Please **complete this registration form and return it to** Stella Stith by email at
Stella.stith@co.dmhmrzas.virginia.gov or fax to: Stella Stith 804-371-7959 or
mail to the address noted above **NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 17, 2008.**